



# National Provider Identifier

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## National Provider Identifier Application Process Helpful Hints.....

**-Before you begin, make sure you have the following information\*\***

*Provider Name*  
*SSN*  
*Provider Date of Birth*  
*Country of Birth*  
*State of Birth (if Country of Birth is U.S.)*  
*Mailing Address*  
*Practice Location Address and Phone Number*  
*Taxonomy (Provider Specialty)*  
*State License Information\**  
*Contact Person Name*  
*Contact Person Phone Number and Email*

\*required for certain taxonomies only

\*\*This information will be required to complete the NPI Application Form. You will not be able to save your work if you quit before you have completed the application form.

### Web Application Hints

- Use the application's navigation buttons, NEXT or PREVIOUS.
- Do NOT use the browser's buttons, BACK and FORWARD.
- If you have a problem with the system and cannot continue, wait 20 minutes before logging on again.
- Print each page as you complete the application to keep a record of your file. It is also important to save your username and password for future use.

### Paper Application Hints

- Do not staple the application pages together.
- Remember to print legibly or type your application.
- Include an original signature of the health care provider and a telephone number on the application. Do not send a photocopy of the signature or an application with a stamped signature. The name in the signature must match

### Paper and Web Application Hints

- To apply online or obtain an NPI application, please visit <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES>.
- Remember to select an entity type:

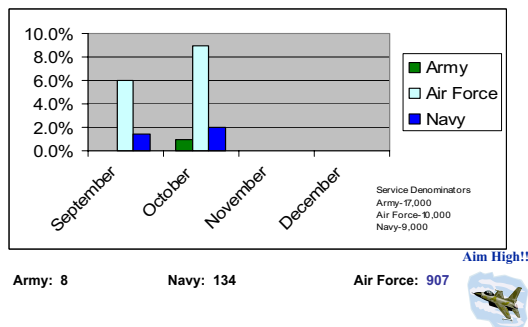
**Entity Type 1:** Health care providers who are individuals, need to complete sections 1, 2A, 3, 4A, and 5.

**Entity Type 2:** Health care providers who are organizations or subparts, need to complete sections 1, 2B, 3, 4B, and 5.

- Post office boxes may not be entered as practice location addresses.

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## The Race is On.....



The Service Denominators are not yet finalized.

## Notice to Physician Assistants Applying for an NPI

Due to the inconsistency between state licensure requirements for Physician Assistants, CMS has made a change to the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System to allow Physician Assistants to obtain an NPI without having to furnish a license number and/or state of license.